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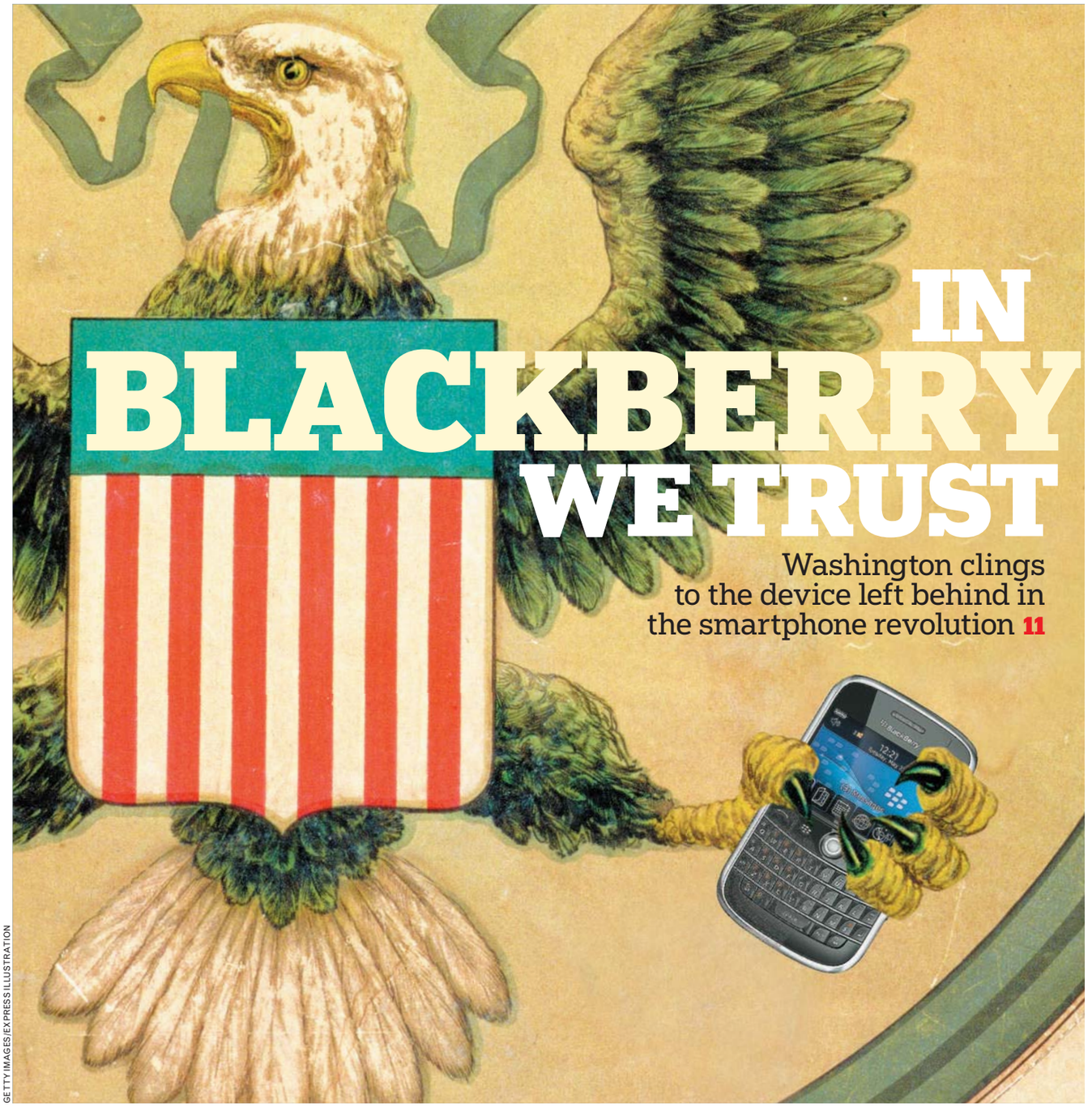

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I.P. Freely Caught Working Under Yet Another Alias

An information technology worker accused of urinating on colleagues' chairs at an office in West Des Moines, Iowa, has surrendered to police. Raymond Foley turned himself in Saturday. Police say some co-workers had complained about stains on their chairs. A security system was installed, and police say it caught Foley in the act. The chair damage was estimated at $4,500. (AP)

BREAKING CHARACTER

This Makes No Sense. Why Would Batman Do That?

A man who dresses as Batman in Maine's Bar Harbor says he's learned his lesson after an April Fool's prank led to his arrest Sunday on a terrorizing charge. Christopher Schwartz posted on his Facebook page April 1 that he would blow up a hospital unless he was paid $1 million. He apologized on his Facebook page for "any panic or mass hysteria" that he caused. (AP)

THE REAL CRIME

Perfectly Good Meat, Ruined

A federal parolee found himself back behind bars in Mitchell, S.D., after burning chicken wings. Emergency workers on Monday responded to a report of a fire in an apartment, which had filled with smoke when the resident fell asleep while cooking wings. Police at the scene determined the resident had been drinking alcohol, a violation of his federal parole. (AP)

The Big Picture

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SO FICKLE, MOTHER EARTH: Nina Padmanabhan and Murray Waugh shelter from the cold in a red telephone booth following a sledding trip on Tuesday in Braemar, Scotland. Snow has returned to parts of Scotland just a week after the country experienced record high temperatures in March. (GETTY)

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In Brief

WASHINGTON

Cheney Leaves Hospital After Heart Transplant

Cheney

Former Vice President Dick Cheney was released from the hospital Tuesday, 10 days after getting a new heart, his office said. Cheney, 71, received the organ from an unknown donor on March 24 at Inova Fairfax Hospital in Falls Church, Va. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Officials: Sushi May Have Caused Illness Outbreak

Federal health officials are investigating a growing outbreak of salmonella that has sickened 90 people in 19 states and the District of Columbia, according to a Food and Drug Administration memo. The outbreak is "rapid and expanding in number of cases," with seven hospitalizations reported, according to a memo distributed to FDA staff Tuesday morning. No deaths have been reported to date. (AP)

Primary Coverage

The results of Tuesday's D.C., Maryland and Wisconsin primaries were not available at Express' deadline. Find more at washingtonpost.com.

2 Tornadoes Rip Through Dallas

No deaths reported after twisters carve path of destruction

Dallas

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David Lowe carries his daughter's dog after it was rescued Tuesday after tornadoes touched down across the Dallas area.

Tornadoes tore through the Dallas area Tuesday, peeling roofs off homes, tossing big-rig trucks into the air and leaving flattened tractor trailers strewn along highways and parking lots.

The National Weather Service confirmed at least two separate "large and extremely dangerous" tornadoes. Several other developing twisters were reported as a band of violent storms crept through the metropolitan area, destroying mobile homes and forcing hundreds of flight cancellations at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and Dallas Love Field.

There were no immediate reports of injuries.

"The officers were watching the tornadoes form and drop," said Kennedale police Chief Tommy Williams. "It was pretty active for a while."

Highway video cameras showed a large, dark funnel cloud moving on the ground not far from a busy Dallas interstate early Tuesday afternoon. Big-rig tractor trailers crumpled like soda cans littered an industrial parking lot, and flattened trailers clogged the sides of highways and access roads.

In Lancaster, south of Dallas, television helicopters panned over exposed homes without roofs and flattened buildings. Broken sheets of plywood blanketed lawns and covered rooftops. Residents could be seen walking down the street with firefighters and peering into homes, looking at the damage after the storm passed.

Devlin Norwood said he was at his Lancaster home when he heard the storm sirens. "We had trees destroyed, fences down, boards down, boards penetrating the roof and the house, shingles damaged," Norwood said.

"Obviously we're going to have a lot of assessments to make when this is done," Dallas County spokeswoman Maria Arita said. JAMIE STENGLE AND NOMAAN MERCHANT (AP)

Join the Club: IPhone-less hipsters rejoice: The popular photo-sharing app Instagram is now on Android. The app has already been available on the iPhone and the iPad, where it's been downloaded more than 30 million times. Free to use, Instagram lets people apply various filters to the photos they snap with their mobile devices. Some of these make the photos look as if they've been taken in the 1970s or on Polaroid cameras. (AP)

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President Blasts the GOP

Obama: Republicans' budget seeks to force radical vision on U.S.

Washington

President Obama delivered a stern and stinging rebuke of the Republican budget plan Tuesday, charging that his GOP rivals seek to impose a "radical vision" on the nation by creating a form of "social Darwinism" that pits the poor against the wealthy.

Setting the stage for a debate that probably will define the fall election, Obama cast the Republican Party as having strayed from its roots as the party of Abraham Lincoln, forgoing social responsibility as it moved farther to the right of the political spectrum.

Obama assailed the budget plan approved by the Republican-led House last week, which would slash $5.3 trillion over the next decade through deep cuts in entitlements and agency spending, as "so far to the right, it makes the Contract With America look like the New Deal."

The president, in a 38-minute address to the American Society of News Editors in Washington, also called the GOP budget proposal "a Trojan horse."

"Disguised as deficit reduction plan, it's really an attempt to impose a radical vision on our country. It's nothing but thinly veiled social Darwinism," Obama said. "It's a prescription for decline."

White House aides billed the speech as the third in a series of major addresses Obama has used to lay out a populist agenda that calls for government to play an active role in helping build a more equitable society. DAVID NAKAMURA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Obama Targets Romney

For the first time since launching his re-election effort a year ago, President Obama mentioned Mitt Romney by name, mocking him for calling the House budget drafted by Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., "marvelous." The president's speech drew rapid criticism from his Republican rivals. Ryan blasted Obama for choosing to "duck and run" instead of dealing with the burgeoning national debt. (TWP)

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Police officers search Tuesday for the gun used in Monday's shooting in Oakland, Calif.

School Shooting Suspect Felt Bullied, Police Say

Oakland, Calif.

A nursing student expelled from a small Christian university and upset about being teased over his poor English skills opened fire at the school, going from room to room in a rampage that left six students and a secretary dead, police said Tuesday.

One L. Goh, 43, forced the secretary into a classroom at Oikos University in Oakland on Monday, told people to line up and, when some didn't cooperate, began his shooting spree, police Chief Howard Jordan said.

"We have seven people who didn't deserve to die and three others wounded because someone who couldn't deal with the pressures of life," Jordan said.

Goh, a South Korea native who became a U.S. citizen, was expelled in January from the school for behavioral problems from the small private school of fewer than 100 students, Jordan said.

Jordan said Goh tried to find a female administrator Monday and began shooting when he learned she wasn't there. The victims, who range in age from 21 to 40, were from various countries, including Nigeria, Nepal and the Philippines.

> **"They made fun of his lack of English-speaking skills. It made him feel isolated."**
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> —**OAKLAND POLICE CHIEF HOWARD JORDAN,** COMMENTING ON A POSSIBLE MOTIVE FOR ONE L. GOH TO OPEN FIRE AT A SCHOOL MONDAY, KILLING SEVEN PEOPLE.

Goh was being held without bail Tuesday after being booked on suspicion of murder, attempted murder, kidnapping and carjacking, according to sheriff's Sgt. J.D. Nelson, who said the suspect likely would make his first court appearance Wednesday.

Police were still looking for the semiautomatic handgun used in the shooting. TERRY COLLINS (AP)

Poorly Chosen Hiding Place

A Transportation Security Administration spokeswoman says screeners at New York's Kennedy Airport caught a man trying to smuggle a knife onto a flight Tuesday by plunging it into a full tub of mayonnaise. The TSA considers mayo to be a liquid or gel, limiting it to less than 3.4 ounces to be allowed onboard. The man was allowed to board after police confiscated the knife and the mayonnaise. (AP)

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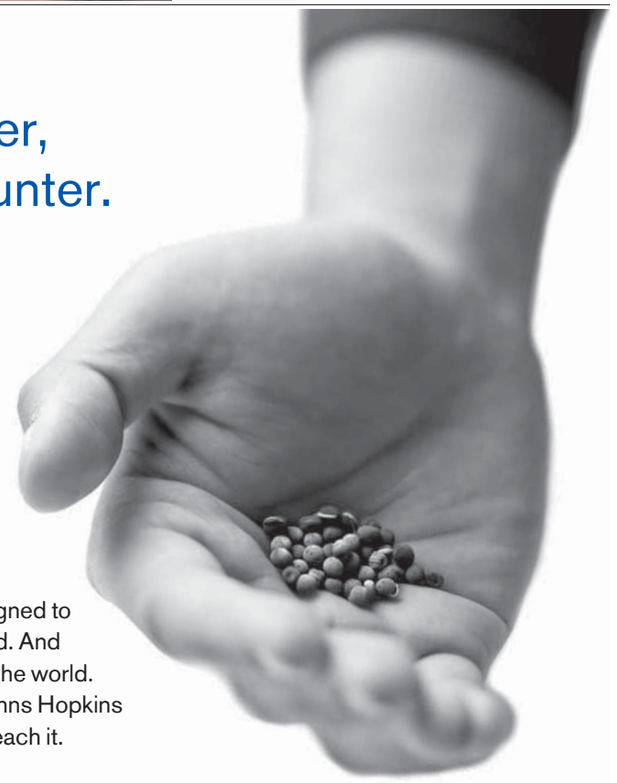

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U.S. Relations Slow to Thaw in Pakistan

$10M bounty placed on militant leader as hostilities stay high

Islamabad

U.S. efforts to persuade Pakistan to reopen NATO supply lines to the Afghan war are proving no match for rampant anti-Americanism here, with Pakistani lawmakers increasingly unwilling to support a decision that risks them branded as friends of Washington.

Opposition legislators demand that the U.S. end its drone strikes against militants as a precondition, complicating U.S. strategies for winding down the 10-year war.

Relations between the U.S. and Pakistan have been marked by mistrust since the two countries were thrust together following the Sept. 11 attacks, but shared interests — near-bankrupt Pakistan needs U.S. aid, America needs Pakistan's support against al-Qaeda — had kept the alliance more or less intact.

That changed in November when U.S. airstrikes inadvertently killed 24 Pakistani troops, triggering retaliation from Islamabad, which suspended diplomatic contacts and blocked vital routes for NATO troops in Afghanistan.

Wanted Man

Hafiz Mohammad Saeed founded the militant Lashkar-e-Taiba with alleged Pakistani support in the 1980s and has been accused of directing attacks on India. The $10 million bounty placed on his head marks a shift in the U.S. calculation that doing so would cause too much friction with Pakistan. (AP)

Since then, hardline Islamist and militant groups have staged rallies around the country against any move to reopen the supply lines. One leader has been Hafiz Mohammad Saeed, the founder of Lashkar-e-Taiba, the group blamed for the 2008 attacks in Mumbai that killed 166 people.

On Monday, the U.S. announced a $10 million reward for information leading to Saeed's arrest. There was no single incident that caused the U.S. to act now, but the group has developed a more anti-Western agenda in recent years, a U.S. official said.

The bounty could complicate U.S.-Pakistan relations. Re-engaging with Washington carries a political cost in the country that is felt more keenly now as general elections approach.

The weak coalition government ordered a panel to come up with proposals for a new relationship with the U.S. On March 20, the group made its proposal, which included reopening the supply lines and an end to drone strikes.

U.S. officials had hoped the panel's pitch would lead to a quick resumption of ties, but that hasn't happened. CHRIS BRUMMITT (AP)

In Brief

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

Militants Up Attacks On Afghan Police Forces

Militants have stepped up their attacks against Afghan police, killing nine and abducting 11 across the nation in the past two days, authorities said Tuesday. The surge in Taliban attacks appeared to be part of a militant drive to assert their power as NATO forces work to turn over Afghanistan's security to local forces by the end of 2014. (AP)

SANAA, YEMEN

Yemen: Airstrikes Kill 43

Yemeni government forces regained control of a strategic gateway in the south on Tuesday after intense three-day shelling of al-Qaeda hideouts in the area that left 43 militants dead, military and medical officials said. (AP)

TRIPOLI, LIBYA

Deadly Clashes Flare Between Rival Militias

Militias from rival towns in western Libya battled Tuesday, killing at least 22 people, officials said. The fighting between Ragdalein and Zwara is the latest in a series of local rivalries that threaten to divide Libya. (AP)

Architects Float Ideas as Flood Threat Rises

Bangkok

A floating mosque and golf course for the Maldives islands. Amphibious homes in the Netherlands lifted to safety as waters surge beneath them. A Thai hospital perched on stilts to protect patients from floods and the encroaching sea.

Architects and city planners across the world are exploring ways mankind and water may coexist as oceans rise and other phenomenon induced by climate change threaten land-rooted living.

With the Dutch at the helm, aqua-architecture projects are already in place, including a floating prison in the Netherlands. While earlier blueprints appeared to be the stuff of science fiction, advocates say leaps of imagination are still needed given the magnitude of the danger.

"The focus on floating solutions has grown enormously. It has shifted from freak architecture to more sustainable, flexible alternatives," says Dutch architect Koen Olthuis.

BAS CZERWINSKI/AP

Floating homes, such as these in Maasbommel, Netherlands, are an option experts advocate for cities threatened by rising seas.

Most planners propose a mix of defending communities with barriers and building on water using such solutions as floating platforms or amphibious structures.

In a study for New York, Olthuis says he envisioned Manhattan ringed by a sea wall with outlying boroughs allowing water to enter. The world's Londons and Bangkoks, he says, may become "hydro-cities," their historic hearts waterproofed.

> **"We will have to live with a more watery environment. There is no choice."**
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> — **DANAI THAITAKOO,** A THAI ARCHITECT WHOSE BANGKOK HOME WAS INUNDATED DURING THAILAND'S FLOODING LAST YEAR, WHICH WAS THE WORST THE COUNTRY HAS SEEN IN MODERN TIMES.

The Thai capital is among the coastal cities projected by the end of this century to lie totally or partially under water as global warming boosts sea levels, the U.N. says. Others include Tokyo and Sydney, an apocalyptic prospect of mass migrations and economic crises. DENIS D. GRAY (AP)

Liberal Art: A Greek court dismissed defamation charges Tuesday against a German magazine that had illustrated a 2010 article on Greece's economic crisis with a doctored photo of the Venus de Milo statue making a lewd gesture. A Greek prosecutor had charged Focus magazine with defamation and insulting a national symbol after complaints about the cover image, which depicted the ancient goddess of love raising her middle finger. (AP)

World

Syria: Troop Withdrawal Started

Beirut

Syrian troops began pulling out Tuesday from some calm cities and headed back to their bases a week ahead of a deadline to implement an international cease-fire plan, a government official said.

The claim could not immediately be verified and activists near the capital Damascus denied troops were leaving their area.

President Bashar Assad agreed just days ago to an April 10 deadline to implement international envoy Kofi Annan's truce plan, which requires regime forces to withdraw and observe a cease-fire. (AP)

Israelis Prepare for Passover

URIEL SINAI/GETTY IMAGES

ULTRA-ORTHODOX JEWISH MEN MAKE MATZOH Tuesday in Bnei Brak, Israel, ahead of Passover. The eight-day Jewish holiday marking the Israelites' exodus from Egypt about 3,500 years ago begins at sunset Friday.

Younger Murdoch Quits TV Post

Resignation comes amid fallout from U.K. hacking scandal

London

Once his father's heir apparent, James Murdoch stepped down Tuesday as chairman of British Sky Broadcasting, surrendering one of the biggest jobs in the Murdoch media empire.

Murdoch's competence and credibility have come under severe questioning because of the telephone hacking and alleged bribery scandal at the defunct Sunday tabloid, News of the World, and other British newspapers where he was supposed to be in charge.

"I am aware that my role as chairman could become a lightning rod for BSkyB and I believe that my resignation will help to ensure that there is no false conflation with events at a separate organization," said the 39-year-old Murdoch, who remains a non-executive member of the BSkyB board.

He also remains deputy chief operating officer of News Corp., his father Rupert's global media firm, and chairman and CEO of the company's international division.

Tuesday's announcement was just the latest in a string of setbacks for James Murdoch. At the end of February, he quit as chairman of News International so he could be based in New York and concentrate on News Corp. broadcasting interests. He has also stepped down from the boards of auctioneer Sotheby's and pharmaceutical firm GlaxoSmithKline PLC. (AP)

Speaking Out

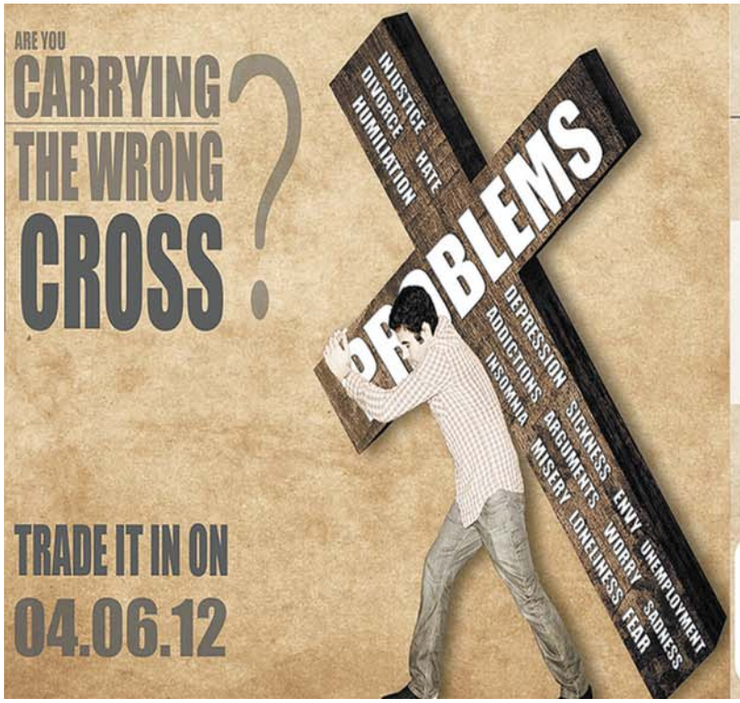
"How are the mighty fallen: Two years ago the Murdochs were courted by all ... and now James Murdoch is running away with his tail between his legs."

CHRIS BRYANT, A BRITISH LEGISLATOR WHO IS AMONG THE DOZENS OF VICTIMS OF PHONE HACKING BY JOURNALISTS EMPLOYED BY RUPERT MURDOCH'S MEDIA EMPIRE IN BRITAIN.

"James Murdoch is a very good TV man. I think people there will regret his passing."

PAUL CONNEW, A MEDIA CONSULTANT, DISCUSSING JAMES MURDOCH'S RESIGNATION ON TUESDAY.

75% **The tax rate proposed by a French presidential hopeful** for citizens with an annual income of more than €1 million, or $1.33 million. The flashy idea from the normally bland Socialist Francois Hollande has proved wildly popular and has set President Nicolas Sarkozy on the defensive. Recent polls have put the two men neck-and-neck in the first round of the country's presidential elections on April 22. (AP)



Local

In Brief

RICHMOND, VA.

Kaine to Report $2.2M Raised in First Quarter

Kaine

Democrat Tim Kaine has raised $2.2 million in his first-quarter fundraising in his Virginia U.S. Senate race. The former governor will also report in his filings to the Federal Election Commission later this month that his campaign had $4.4 million on hand at the end of March. Sen. Jim Webb said last year he will not seek a second term. (AP)

CAPITOL HEIGHTS, MD.

Murder-Suicide Probed

Prince George's County police are investigating an apparent murder-suicide in Capitol Heights. Authorities say a woman arrived at a home on Nyanga Avenue, where she found the bodies of her aunt and uncle about 1:15 a.m. Tuesday. An investigation indicates the man shot his wife and then himself. (AP)

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Is D.C. Becoming a 24-Hour City?

Upscale burger joint puts theory to test by staying open till 5 a.m.

Washington

When the grilling started in February at Black & Orange on 14th Street NW, just south of U Street, chef and co-owner Raynold Mendizabal, vowed to keep the doors open until 5 a.m. every night. It isn't unusual for a pizza joint to keep such hours on weekends. But on Wednesdays? Even the historic Ben's Chili Bowl locks up at 2 a.m.

Late-night dining might be the District's new frontier. If so, Mendizabal hopes to stake an early claim. The upscale hamburger joint is testing a theory that demographers and late-night revelers still debate: Is the District slowly evolving into a 24-hour city?

Mendizabal, for one, thinks all the ingredients are there: the influx of young professionals, people of all strata working stranger and longer hours. They have to eat somewhere.

EVY MAGES/FTWP

Pedestrians pass the Black & Orange restaurant, a burger place open until 5 a.m.

Max Farrow, a spokesman for the District's Chamber of Commerce, said late-night dining is essential for the District to become an "entertainment mecca, like New York or Los Angeles."

People of all strata are working stranger and longer hours. They have to eat somewhere.

So the region's restaurant association celebrated the December opening of a 24/7 restaurant, the Hamilton, a 400-seat agora of white-cloth tables.

The steel shells of at least five condo buildings are rising within a five-block radius of the restaurant. Still, when nights are slow, the strategy can seem as fanciful as the patties seasoned with truffle oil and thyme.

The staff perked up as a wanderer pushed through the door. "Are you guys really open?" she asked the cashier. "Yes!" ROBERT SAMUELS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

East Coast Rape Suspect Indicted

Washington

A Connecticut man who police believe is responsible for a series of rapes along the East Coast has been indicted in Virginia and could stand trial as soon as this summer.

A grand jury in Prince William County returned an indictment Tuesday charging 40-year-old Aaron H. Thomas with abducting three teenage trick-or-treaters at gunpoint on Halloween 2009 in the Woodbridge area and raping two of them.

The indictment includes two counts of rape, three counts of abduction with intent to defile and three counts of use of a firearm during a commission of a felony, said Prince William County Commonwealth's Attorney Paul Ebert.

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Aaron Thomas arrives in police custody at an airport in Manassas in Nov. 2011.

The rape and abduction charges carry maximum sentences of life imprisonment, he said. A trial is scheduled for July 31.

Thomas was arrested last March in his hometown of New Haven and pleaded not guilty to a charge of raping a woman in 2007.

Authorities have said DNA confirms that he's responsible for more than a dozen rapes and other attacks, starting in 1997, from Virginia to Connecticut.

Connecticut officials agreed in November to extradite Thomas to Virginia, where he is scheduled to stand trial first, after Ebert argued that the cases in his state were particularly heinous. ERIC TUCKER (AP)

STUDY

Fairfax Is Healthy

Fairfax County has been declared the healthiest county in Virginia, according to a report released Tuesday. The report released by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and University of Wisconsin researchers ranked counties by several health factors and other areas such as education, access to health care, and unemployment. (AP)

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Transportation

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New posters, fliers and handouts written in English and Spanish will also be distributed to riders, licensed without cost through the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

General Manager Richard Sarles said it's an initiative the transit agency will take seriously.

Last week, Washington hosted the first International Anti-Street Harassment Week.

"No country has achieved gender equality, and no country ever will until women have the same access to public spaces and the same level of acceptance and safety in public spaces as men," said organizer Holly Kearly, founder of the activist group Stop Street Harassment.

KATIE ROGERS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Changing Their Tune

Metro initially wasn't quick to respond to complaints of harassment. The agency received harsh criticism in February for what some perceived to be a minimization of the problem. "It really isn't a big issue," spokesman Dan Stessel said before a D.C. council hearing on the subject. "There are a minuscule number of incidents of actual crime." (TWP)

Reston Group Warns of New Traffic From Toll-Avoiders

Transportation

A Reston citizens group on Monday said it expects thousands of vehicles will divert from the Dulles Toll Road to local streets as tolls rise in coming years to help pay for Metro's new Silver Line.

"That's going to drive a large portion of toll-road traffic to local roads," said Terry Maynard, a member of the Reston 2020 Committee, which is part of the Reston Citizens Association. "The congestion will be that much worse."

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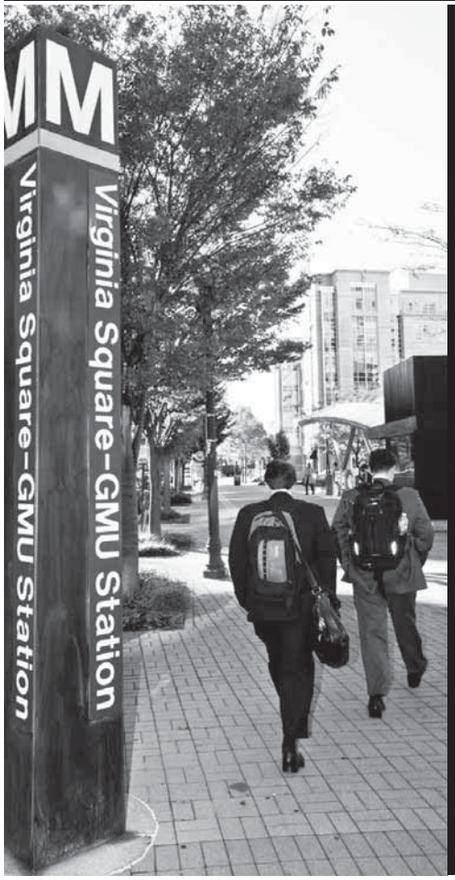

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BlackBerry Capital

In the era of the iPhone, Washington holds onto the once-ubiquitous device

Washington

Outside Washington, the world is moving at warp speed away from the BlackBerry. Its maker is seeing declining profits and losing executives, and recently even conceded its perch as the top smartphone in its native Canada.

Inside the Beltway, time stands still. A half million federal workers — President Obama and his staff among them — are still thumbing little black keyboards on little black devices. That number hasn't dipped over the past few years while Research in Motion, BlackBerry's maker, has seen its sales plummet everywhere else.

Apple's iPhone has **32 percent** of the market.

The slow-moving federal bureaucracy is keeping the BlackBerry around. But RIM's intensifying troubles and thriving rivals are confronting Washington with a question: Should it break its "crackberry" addiction?

Some agencies are already loosening their policies to let their workers choose other smartphones. Lawmakers and aides can now bring iPhones into chambers of Congress.

But, for the most part, the federal government hasn't joined the smartphone revolution.

"We appreciate RIM's focus on security, which is paramount for government use," said Casey Coleman, the chief information officer at the General Services Administration. The agency has issued some iPhones and Android-based phones for staffers, but the vast majority of its 12,000 agency-issued smartphones are BlackBerrys.

Agencies and big contractors note that the BlackBerry is cheaper than the iPhone and many Android devices. IT departments across the government have yearslong contracts with RIM and the wireless carriers that promote the device. And tech staff at federal agencies are trained to fix BlackBerry products, which makes it harder to switch to new technologies, analysts say.

Google's Android-based phones take **48 percent** of the market.

Plus, newer devices aren't as secure as the BlackBerry, some officials said.

The slow pace of change has made the BlackBerry as much a part of federal culture as short-sleeve, white-collared shirts were among NASA engineers or lapel pins are among politicians on Capitol Hill. Some analysts even expect Washington to become the last bastion for RIM's devices.

That would leave many Washingtonians with smartphone envy.

Paul Silder, a government contractor, is stuck with a BlackBerry because that's what the Department of Homeland Security gave him.

So the 44-year-old father of two is left longing for an iPhone or Android.

"I want a bigger screen. I only really use it for work, but it would be nice to surf the Web more easily," Silder sighs.

Outside the Beltway, BlackBerry has quickly seen its dominance fade.

Federal workers are often in a sort of device limbo, where some have resorted to carrying two devices: one for work and one for play. Yet for some, the quick rollout of fancier and faster phones carries little appeal.

Lindsey Bowen, a 29-year-old program director at the Junior Statesman Foundation, often has to defend her BlackBerry as iPhone- and Android-obsessed friends mock her device. Seen as outdated and uncool, it's become the Washington worker's fashion equivalent of a hard-shell Samsonite briefcase.

But she recoils at the thought of a touchscreen smartphone. The embarrassing spelling errors with the iPhone's auto-correct feature. The insecure thumbing away at letters on a flat screen.

"I love the keyboard," Bowen said. "I just can't get used to anything else." CECILIA KANG (THE WASHINGTON POST)

BlackBerry has dropped to a distant third place at **12 percent.** (TWP)

Facing Reality?

Breaking into the lucrative government market is a focus of all device makers, and agencies choose technology independently, making competition fierce. BlackBerry maker Research in Motion said recently that it is putting all of its efforts back into courting government and corporate customers. Last week, RIM reported quarterly earnings that missed analysts' expectations. Its profits dropped to $418 million in the last three months of 2011, a far cry from the $934 million it earned during the same period in 2010. Several senior RIM executives resigned their posts, including former co-chief executive Jim Balsillie. (TWP)

Sports

Worth Watching

Predicted to be much improved, the Nats garner national attention

The Nationals

Disastrous on the field and disregarded off it, the Nationals existed for most of their first seven years as an afterthought to the greater baseball universe. The Nationals twice lost more than 100 games, finished last five times and almost always spelled the name of their team correctly on their uniforms.

The Nationals arrived at spring training this year facing and carrying altered expectations. Analysts and experts anointed them a chic playoff choice. The players in their clubhouse openly predicted October baseball in the District. Television executives made plans to showcase them. And the most influential leader in the sport, the man who made vibrant baseball in the nation's capital a priority, foresaw the dawning of a new era in D.C.

"What's stood out to me this spring, more baseball people have said to me, 'The Nationals are going to be good this year.' They're going to be really competitive. In terms of people talking about a club that is clearly coming on, it's the Nationals."

— **COMMISSIONER BUD SELIG,** WHO THINKS THE NATIONALS MAY BE ON THE WAY TO BECOMING ONE OF MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL'S PREMIER FRANCHISES.

The Nats' Star Power

The Nationals had not appeared on "Sunday Night Baseball" since the night Nationals Park opened in 2008. This year, the Nationals will play in the week's premier game twice in the season's first eight weeks, on May 6 against the Philadelphia Phillies and May 27 against the Atlanta Braves. The difference, ESPN officials say, is the star power provided by the likes of Stephen Strasburg. "You kind of say to yourself, all right, what will compel people to watch this game? What can you give people in a 10-second promo?" said Mike Ryan, ESPN's vice president of programming. "That usually comes down to stars. The guys on the Nationals — Strasburg, Harper, the two Zimmerman[n]s – there's no shortage of marketable players." (TWP)

Trendy Pick

Without the benefit of a winning season, the Nationals have acquired the appearance of an emergent team, a franchise that finally found its way eight years after relocating from Montreal. They have the star power of Stephen Strasburg and Bryce Harper, a talented young core, a rock-steady franchise player in Ryan Zimmerman and more gifted minor leaguers on the way.

Every spring, certain teams become the trendy choice. This spring, one of those teams is the Nationals. "I know we're that team," outfielder Jayson Werth said. "I would rather come in under the radar. I'd rather be that unknown."

Said Nationals reliever Brad Lidge, an 11-year veteran who signed this offseason: "We're a trendy pick ... for a reason. It's because we're good. You're looking at a team that I believe is going to make the playoffs."

'Hell to Play'

Since the Nationals moved to D.C., they have lagged behind every other franchise in a major East Coast city. But there are signs that is changing. They have sold more tickets to Nationals Park than in any season since it opened. Other teams have noticed the change, too.

After the Miami Marlins and Nationals played for the final time this spring, Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen approached general manager Mike Rizzo and said, "You're going to be hell to play."

The excitement revolves most around Strasburg and Harper. Their competitive success will hinge on so much else — Harper may not debut until midseason or later — but they provide a symbol.

"The most important thing in running a franchise is hope and faith," commissioner Bud Selig said. "Harper and Strasburg have given Washington hope and faith."

ADAM KILGORE (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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"Starting this week ... nothing is promised but all things are possible."

— **THOMAS BOSWELL,** WHO SAYS THE NATS' STARTING ROTATION IS WHAT WILL MAKE THE TEAM DIFFERENT THIS YEAR. HIS FULL COLUMN IS IN TODAY'S 2012 MLB PREVIEW SECTION.

JULIO CORTEZ/AP

The Nationals believe they have assembled their best team since moving to Washington seven years ago. They open the season Thursday in Chicago.

Sports

Wildcats a Team for the Ages

After meeting high expectations, young stars may go to NBA

Men's College Hoops

The running joke all season was that Kentucky was good enough to beat some NBA teams. Say, maybe the Wizards. Far-fetched? Probably. But with that stable of pros-in-waiting, one thing seemed certain: The Wildcats were the team to beat in college basketball.

Capping a season that had a feeling of inevitability, Kentucky finished with a flourish, beating Kansas 67-59 in the NCAA championship game Monday night.

OK, so maybe it was the last time we'll see many of those future millionaires in blue and white. At least they'll go out as heroes after bringing home an eighth national championship to Big Blue and giving John Calipari the one missing piece to his resume. "We were the best team," Calipari said. "I wanted this to be one for the ages."

Calipari has had a knack for luring the nation's best recruits to Lexington, never worrying about whether they'd stick around. This year's bouncy-legged bunch was impressive even by his standards.

Led by everybody's player of the year Anthony Davis, these fast-tracked Wildcats raced past nearly everyone who got in their way.

Davis, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Doron Lamb, Darius Miller, Terrence Jones, Marquis Teague — Coach Cal had a team of ringers and he, along with everyone else, knew it. Who's No. 2 seemed to be the only question left.

The 6-foot-10 Davis with Lexington's favorite eyebrows dominated in what may be his only season in college basketball. And he may be gone. He may not be alone. With five potential first-round picks, the NBA may be too enticing for this team to stay together.

That's OK with Calipari. He's hung his hat on chasing after the best players, regardless of whether they'll stick around or go to the NBA. Finally, Cal's method was validated in the form of a national title.

"I don't think it's a good rule," Calipari said. "It's not my rule. It's a rule we have to deal with." (AP)

DAVID J. PHILLIP/AP

Kentucky's Anthony Davis cuts down the net after winning the national title Monday.

Women's Title Game

The women's NCAA championship between Baylor and Notre Dame ended after Express' deadline on Tuesday. For results, see, washingtonpost.com/sports.

What Are the Odds?

The Wizards have a good shot at landing Kentucky's Anthony Davis in the draft, but they have competition for the No. 1 pick. Charlotte has a 25 percent chance of winning the top overall pick in the NBA draft lottery on May 30, but the Wizards are right behind at 19.9 percent. New Orleans (13-40) is also making it a tight race for the most pingpong balls, at 15.6 percent. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief

KERSTIN JOENSSON/AP

Ivica Olic, right, scored twice in Bayern Munich's win over Marseille Tuesday.

SOCCER

Barcelona, Bayern Advance to Semifinals

Lionel Messi scored two first-half penalties to lead Barcelona to a 3-1 victory over AC Milan and a place in the Champions League semifinals for the fifth straight season on Tuesday. In other Champions League action, Ivica Olic scored twice to send Bayern Munich comfortably through to the semifinals for the second time in three years with a 2-0 win over Marseille on Tuesday. (AP)

PRO BASEBALL

Jimenez Appealing Ban

Cleveland Indians pitcher Ubaldo Jimenez is appealing his five-game suspension. The players' union said in a statement Tuesday that Jimenez has requested an appeal of his ban for intentionally throwing at Colorado's Troy Tulowitzki during a spring training game Sunday. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

Goodell: Saints Hearing To Come by Week's End

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell says Saints coach Sean Payton and other New Orleans officials suspended for being involved in the team's bounty program will have their appeals heard in the next few days. "I expect we'll do it before the end of the week," he said Tuesday. (AP)

TV Lineup

BASEBALL (7 P.M., ESPN) The Miami Marlins open their new home against the World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals.

WIZARDS (7 P.M., CSN) The Wizards play the Indiana Pacers for the third-straight week.

PRO BASKETBALL (8 P.M., 10:30 P.M.,) The Miami Heat host the Oklahoma City Thunder and the Clippers and Lakers meet in the battle of L.A.

GOLF (3 P.M., ESPN) The Masters Par 3 Contest in Augusta, Ga.

PRO HOCKEY (7:30 P.M., NBCSN) The St. Louis Blues face off with the Detroit Red Wings.

SOCCER (2:30 P.M., CSN) Real Madrid plays APOEL in the Champions League quarterfinal.

Mickelson Predicts a 'Birdie-Fest' at the Masters

Golf

Get ready for a "birdie-fest" at Augusta National.

Three-time Masters winner Phil Mickelson said the course he's loved and respected for decades is not yet its fearsome, soul-destroying self — and that has him worried.

"It seems that some of the planning I have made may go by the wayside," Mickelson said Tuesday. "As soft as the golf course is, you can fire at a lot of the pins."

That means a host of fearless 20-somethings will whack away in the fairways with little concern for impediments like Rae's Creek or the tricky, closely mown slopes protecting the greens.

"Unless something changes," Mickelson predicted, "it's going to be a 'birdie-fest.'" (AP)

Change in Attitude

Phil Mickelson is making his 20th appearance at the Masters, many of those spent learning each bump and bunker through painstaking trial and error. It took several changes in his game and attitude before he finally broke through with his 2004 victory here. Mickelson said one of the most drastic changes was accepting a par on the pivotal, par-5 15th hole. (AP)

'No Thanks': Indianapolis Colts owner Jim Irsay says Baylor quarterback Robert Griffin III, through his agent, declined a request for a private workout. The Colts hold the top pick in the NFL draft and have long been expected to take Stanford passer Andrew Luck. But Irsay said the Colts, who held a private workout with Luck Tuesday, wanted to work out Griffin as well. It's believed that the Redskins covet Griffin with the No. 2 pick in the draft. (TWP)

lookout

Let It Be, Please
Paul McCartney's son would like to form the Beatles, version 2.0 27

Inside Jokes

BBC AMERICA

The Nerd Herd

Comedian Chris Hardwick is building a nerd empire.

It began with his podcast, "The Nerdist," which ballooned into a podcasting network that now includes 17 different shows. Then he built a performance space, the Nerdist Theatre, in Los Angeles; wrote a guide to living life to your nerdiest potential ("The Nerdist Way"); launched a news site; and now he's running his own network on YouTube.

By Rudi Greenberg

The Nerdist Channel, part of YouTube's effort to enter your living room, debuted this week with a full slate of programs. Each day features a new show — there's Hardwick's "All Star Celebrity Bowling," an interview series hosted by Weird Al Yankovic, live chat show "Comic Book Club," and something called "Weird S#It From Japan" — all of which were handpicked by Hardwick.

"Our programming mandate was simple: What would WE want to see exist in the world?" Hardwick wrote in a note to fans.

Hardwick is creating a community where fans of comedy, gaming, music, comic books and film can go to watch like-minded programming. It's just the kind of big-picture thinking that could one day earn him the title of Nerd King.

@ Watch the Nerdist Channel online at **Youtube.com/nerdist.**

PARAMOUNT PICTURES

"Titanic 3D" offers a chance to look back at when Leonardo DiCaprio, left, and Kate Winslet, right, were still on the cusp of mega-stardom.

Their Hearts Go On

'Titanic' is worth seeing again, but the additional dimension falls flat

Film Review

To contemplate "Titanic 3D" — James Cameron's 1997 action-adventure-historical-romance about the 1912 sinking of the eponymous ship — is to engage in a double dose of wistfulness. Not only does Cameron's movie take filmgoers back to a time that seemed to disappear along with the 1,500 people who perished in the disaster, but to a more recent time, when an un-superstar named Leonardo DiCaprio and an unknown named Kate Winslet were barely in their 20s, as ripe and round as a baby's bottom.

With Cameron having converted "Titanic" to 3-D in celebration of the film's 15th anniversary, watching the new version also points up just how unnecessary such technological gimmicks are when you have a perfectly good original in the first place.

The added visual depth neither enhances nor detracts from the charm of revisiting the film's young actors in their coltish prime, as oblivious to their coming fame and "Titanic's" record-breaking box office success as their characters are of that iceberg looming out in the dark North Sea.

In fact, the new bells and whistles seem at odds with "Titanic" as an admittedly lavish but somehow pure enterprise: Just as Cameron pays tribute to a Victorian civilization and culture that went down with the ship, his film pays tribute to an era when a hugely expensive movie could be made with no-name stars, just as it predicts a coming age when stars would barely be needed if a director could manipulate the right computer effects and toy tie-ins.

Of course, there are hazards in reassessing any movie. Cameron's bluntly expository dialogue is still wooden, his plot a hackneyed pastiche of boilerplate set pieces, caricatured villains and melodramatic hokum. Though, the filmmaker's main aim with "Titanic" was never naturalism but finding ways to lead viewers through the 52-ton, 880-foot entirety of the Titanic, from the mahogany-paneled state rooms of the upper classes and grimy environs of the engine rooms to the cramped bunks of steerage.

There's no doubt that "Titanic" is worth rereleasing, for a new generation to discover and for the rest of us to relive the thrills, not just of old-fashioned bravura filmmaking but of two stars' careers being launched. The backhanded compliment that the gratuitous 3-D conversion delivers is that "Titanic" has had the right dimensions all along.

ANN HORNADAY (THE WASHINGTON POST)

"The goal here is not about making money with 'Titanic.' The goal is to put the film back into cinemas so that people that either loved it back then and haven't had a chance to see it in a movie theater since can go see it. ... I don't make movies for iPhones or tablets. I like to think that there's still a sanctity in the cinema experience."

— **JAMES CAMERON,** IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE AP, ON WHY HE'S RERELEASING "TITANIC" IN 3-D.

Titanic Television

Marking 100 Years

From dramas to docs, the Titanic centennial won't escape TV's notice. Here's a rundown of specials airing in the next few weeks.

- **"Titanic's Final Mystery"** (April 5 at 8 p.m., Smithsonian Channel) re-examines two critical questions of the Titanic's demise: Why did it hit the iceberg in the first place? And why did the ship closest to Titanic never come to its rescue?
- **"Titanic: The Final Word With James Cameron"** (April 8 at 8 p.m., National Geographic Channel) follows the director as he gathers the world's leading Titanic experts to pore over underwater footage from Cameron's more than 30 dives to the wreck.
- **"Save the Titanic With Bob Ballard"** (April 9 at 10 p.m. EDT, National Geographic Channel) sets the man who discovered the ship's final resting place on a new quest: protecting Titanic's underwater graveyard.
- **"Why Ships Sink"** (April 18 at 9 p.m., PBS) is a "Nova" program that investigates the safety of current-day cruise ships, which keep getting bigger and bigger. (AP)

entertainment lookout

top stops

DAVE HOGAN/GETTY IMAGES

1 Old 'Republic'

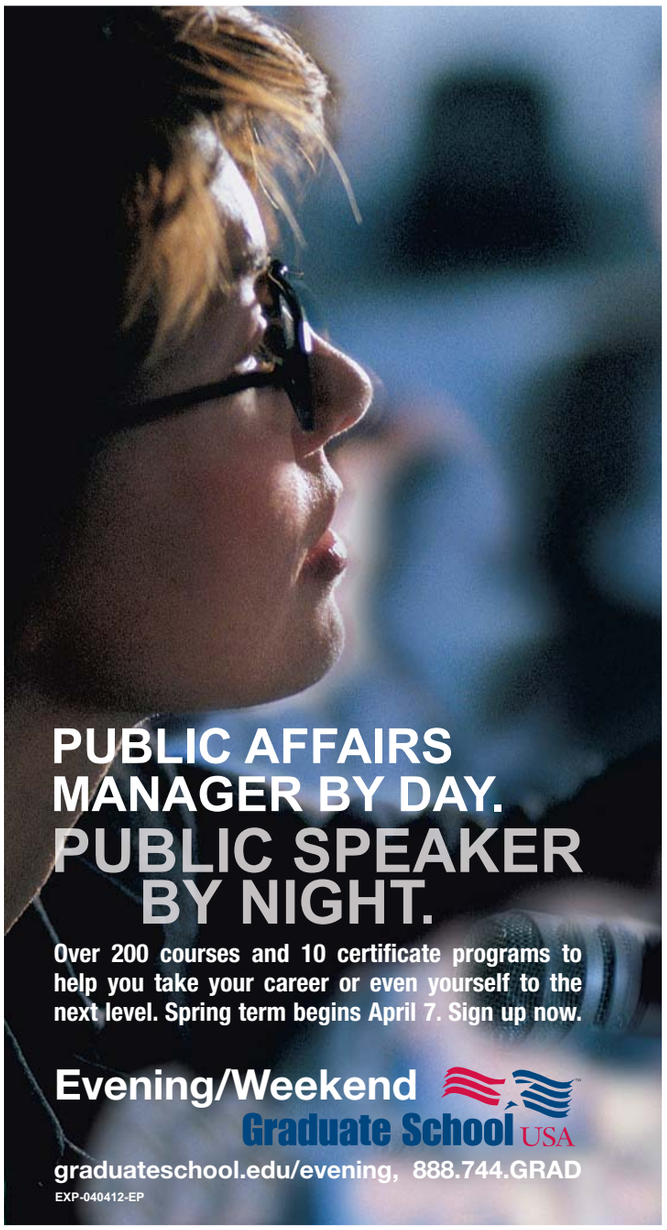
The novels of Lionel Shriver are beautifully written, yet so lucidly despairing about humanity that reading them is almost painful. A great example is her 2005 novel "We Need to Talk About Kevin," which was just made into a film. Tonight, Shriver will discuss "The New Republic," a novel about terrorism that she wrote in the 1990s but is just being published now. ***Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919, Politics-prose.com. (Van Ness)***

2 Piano Man

Ba-na-nah-nuh-na-nah, na-naaah! Ba-na-na-na! Those of you who read music certainly recognize that as "Linus and Lucy" by Vince Guaraldi, whose music was the focus of pianist George Winston's latest album. Winston is set to tickle the ivories at the Barns at Wolf Trap tonight, and probably won't mind if you do the Snoopy Dance in the middle of the show. ***The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna, Va; Wed., April 4-Fri., April 6; 8pm; $35; 703-255-1900; Wolftrap.org***

3 Physical Comedy

People tend to forget that Kevin James started in stand-up. James, who is best known for acting like a buffoon in films such as "Paul Blart: Mall Cop" and "Grown Ups" returns to the stage tonight at the Warner. Expect plenty of observational humor and maybe even a few stories about working with animals on the set of "Zookeeper." ***Warner Theatre, 513 13th St. NW; Tues., 7:30 p.m., $45.50-$65.50; 202-783-4000, Warnertheatre.com. (Metro Center)***



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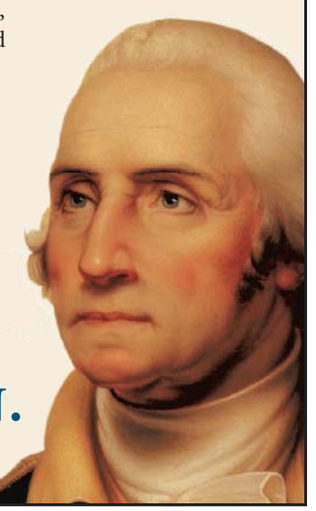

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NBC 8:30 **Best Friends Forever** Jessica and Lennon live on opposite sides of the country. When Jessica is served divorce papers, Lennon persuades her to return home to the apartment they used to share.

CBS 9:00 **Criminal Minds** Horror icon Robert Englund guest stars as a detective who assists Rossi and the team with a case right out of a horror movie: the ritualistic murders of several people. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

MATTHIAS CLAMER/NBC

BETTY WHITE'S OFF THEIR ROCKERS

It Sure Beats Shuffleboard

NBC 8:00 Picking up where the January special of the same name left off, this hidden-camera series hosted by comedy legend Betty White blows senior stereotypes out of the water. A cast of sassy septuagenarians pulls shockingly hilarious pranks on the younger generation, from asking a girl in a mall to sign a petition banning ugly people from reproducing to propositioning a young man at an airport gate to join an older woman in the "mile high" club. (TM)

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travel lookout

On the Up and Up

Airline performance continues to improve, according to analysis

Advice

Airlines, led by low-cost carrier AirTran Airways, are doing a better job of getting passengers to their destinations on time, with their bags and with fewer complaints, private researchers who have analyzed federal data on airline performance said Monday.

Despite higher fares, new fees and canceled routes, flying is getting better overall, said researchers who analyzed federal data on airline performance during 2011.

"Airlines are finally catching up with what their promise is, which is getting you there on time 80 percent of the time with your bags," said Dean Headley, a business professor at Wichita State University who has co-written the annual airline performance report for 22 years.

AirTran again topped the list, followed by similar repeat performances by Hawaiian Airlines and JetBlue Airways in second and third places.

Headley said airlines are slowly, steadily recovering from their meltdown five years ago, when, under the strain of near-record consumer travel demand, their performance tanked. Industry performance for all four measurements was slightly better in 2011 compared with 2010.

"They realize that people are paying a lot more money, and the system is more complex than it was, and they have to do a better job," he said. "To their credit, I think they are doing a better job."

With higher fuel costs, airfares are trending up, although increases vary significantly depending on whether the passenger is flying between major airports or is heading to or from a small or medium-sized airport, Headley said. As airlines cut back service to smaller airports, the cost of air travel in small and medium cities is increasing, he said. JOAN LOWY (AP)

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AirTran topped the airline performance rankings for the second year in a row.

Airline Performance

Airline performance was judged by lost bags, delayed flights, service or bumped flights. Here's how they lined up, plus last year's ranking:

1 AirTran (1)
2 Hawaiian (2)
3 JetBlue (3)
4 Frontier (9)
5 Alaska (4)
6 Delta (7)
7 Southwest (5)
8 US Airways (6)
9 SkyWest (10)
10 American (11)
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12 United (12)
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DISCUSSIONS

Flight Crew

Where is a good place to scuba dive in the Caribbean?
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Do you have any idea how maids are paid for cleaning hotel rooms? I usually keep the "do not disturb" sign up but does that mean less pay for housekeepers?
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The husband and I are looking for a beach getaway in May. We thought of Puerto Rico, but the rains begin in May. Are there any other spots in the Caribbean that you would recommend?
I would not worry too much about the rain. It blows in and out, and is often embraced as a respite from the heat. For other options, look into San Diego; St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mexico's Riviera Maya; Cabo San Lucas; and St. Johns (you can take the ferry over from St. Thomas).

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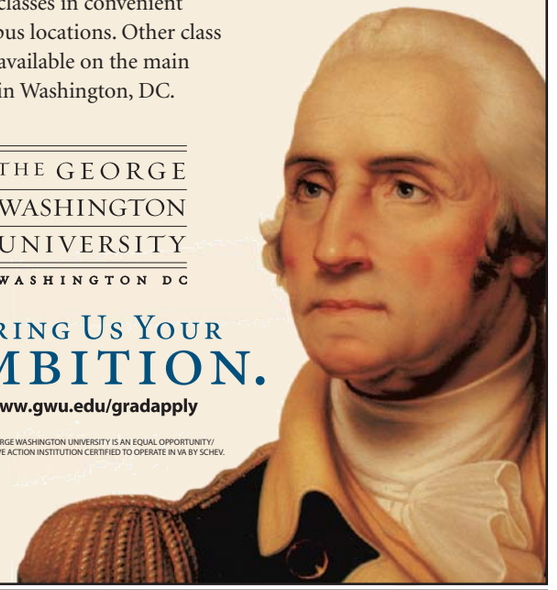

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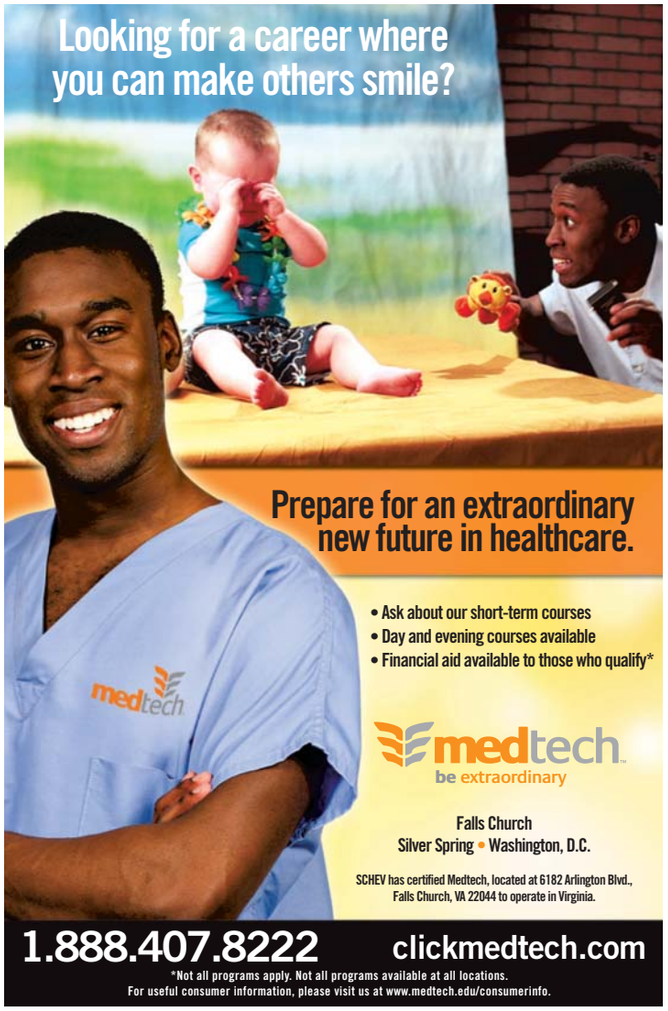

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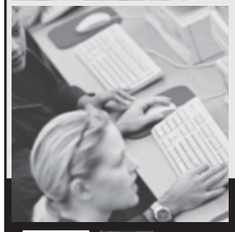

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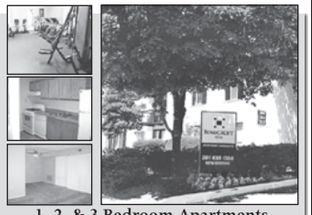

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— **KYLE WAGNER AT GIZMODO.COM** imagines the possibilities of a new technology being tested by the British Army that allows one to charge electronics through contact with a fabric made of yarn that conducts electricity.

"I'm not sure 'Total Recall' is a movie that needed to be remade, but it's happening, and it might even be good. Regardless, it seems the new version will have several scenes set in futuristic cities. ... It might be worth seeing just for the city planning nerdery alone."

—**BEYONDDC.COM** may go see "Total Recall 2012" starring Colin Farrell, after seeing the trailer released this week.

"It's a twofer — make a pretty rainbow and reduce the leprechaun infestation on your land. In this heartwarming video, a young lady named Kristi pours round after round into a creek to create a lovely rainbow. I should remember this trick for the next Valentine's Day."

— John Farrier at **NEATORAMA.COM** pokes fun at a viral video of a woman showing off her shooting skills. In it, she says, "Hey y'all, have you ever seen anyone make a rainbow with a 12-gauge shotgun? [gunshots] Now you have! Thanks for watching."

"Redskins: Same ol' uniform, same ol' racist team name. The more things change, the more they stay the same, right?"

— **MARTIN AUSTERMUHLE AT DCIST.COM** wasn't impressed by the NFL team's new uniforms after Nike took over the league's apparel contract this season.

"The Fray's alt lite-rock anthem should have included a flyover by paper airplanes."

—**@PAULPABST** was not a fan of the group's original arrangement for their rendition of the national anthem at the NCAA Men's basketball national championship game Monday night in New Orleans.

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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may not like everyone with whom you have to work directly today, but you can put your feelings aside in favor of a worthwhile project.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You can put a great deal of your own knowledge of the strange-but-true on display today, and others will benefit from it in interesting ways.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The decisions you make today are necessary, though their long-term effects may not be anticipated immediately.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your ability to do things on the fly will come in handy today, and enable you to score more points than the opposition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It won't take a lot to get things done today; even the slightest effort will have an effect at this time. Do as much as you want, however!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Others are likely to turn to you for guidance today; what you can offer is a warning about any dangers that lie ahead, for you see them clearly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Internal rhythms are changing at this time, and you may feel as though you are off balance during much of the day. Things settle soon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You'll have a chance to put your money where your mouth is — but take care that you spend only what you have set aside to spend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You must identify what you really need, as opposed to the things you want that are actually unnecessary to your well-being.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The path you are traveling offers a great deal to observe today, and you can learn from what you see. But keep moving forward.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may find yourself waiting for another to do what has been promised today before you can swing into action yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You're likely to be understood better by someone whose ideas contrast with your own than by those who agree with you overall.

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Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 150-160, BEST SCORE 212

								RACK 1
E1	O1	D2	M3	H4	N1	T1		
								RACK 2
E1	O1	O1	M3	G2	R1	L1	Double Word Score	
								RACK 3
E1	I1	O1	Y4	R1	S1	H4	1st Letter Triple	
								RACK 4
E1	O1	U1	N1	B3	T1	S1		

Yesterday's Solution

G2	R1	O1	U1	T1	E1	R1	RACK 1 = 58
W4	H4	I1	S1	P3	E1	R1	RACK 2 = 95
H4	O1	W4	D2	I1	E1		RACK 3 = 13
H4	O1	O1	K5	L1	E1	T1	RACK 4 = 65

PAR SCORE 145-155 TOTAL 231

FOUR RACK TOTAL _____

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

Sudoku

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2				6	4			
		3			9		5	2
6	9			2			1	
5			2	8			3	
1				5				6
	8			9	7			5
	2			3			8	4
7	3		5			9		
			9	1				3

Yesterday's Solution

3	5	1	2	9	8	4	6	7
6	9	2	7	3	4	5	1	8
4	8	7	5	1	6	9	2	3
7	6	3	9	8	2	1	5	4
2	1	8	3	4	5	7	9	6
9	4	5	1	6	7	3	8	2
1	7	6	8	5	3	2	4	9
5	3	4	6	2	9	8	7	1
8	2	9	4	7	1	6	3	5

Need more Sudoku? Find another puzzle in the Comics section of The Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.

Comics

POOCH CAFE | PAUL GILLIGAN

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | STEPHAN PASTIS

Forecast

77 | 47

Today: Mostly cloudy today with a couple of showers. Mainly clear tonight.

63 | 43

Tomorrow: Partly sunny and cooler tomorrow. Partly cloudy tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

FRI	SAT	SUN
65 | 43	67 | 45	69 | 50

Sun and Moon
Sunrise today: 6:48 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:35 p.m.
Moonrise today: 5:28 p.m.
Moonset today: 5:08 a.m.

Almanac
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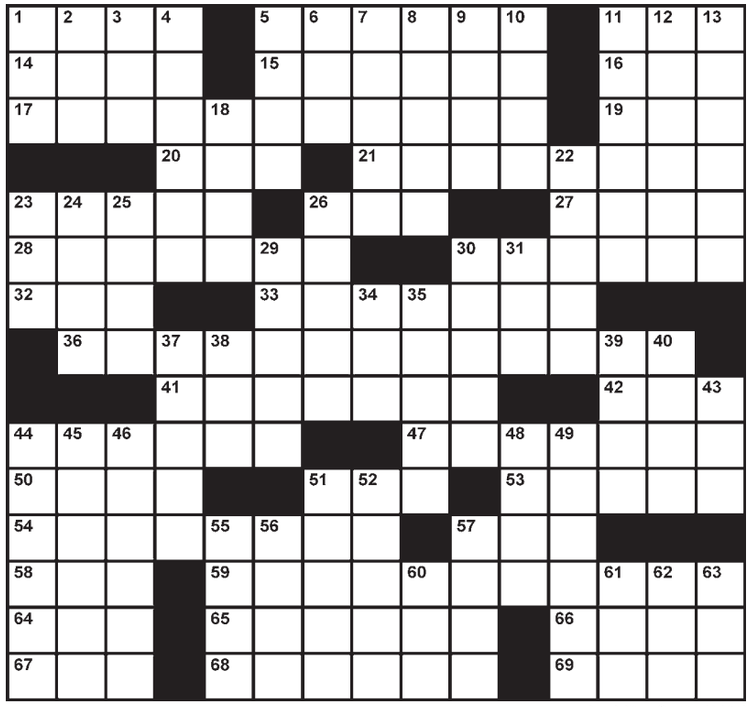

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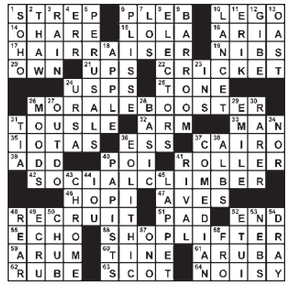
ACROSS

1 Small, flightless bird
5 Hair hides them
11 Type of maniac
14 Cut text, say
15 Yank from the soil
16 "Smoking or ___?"
17 Quarterback's command to his backup?
19 "Don't ___ step farther!"
20 Aflame
21 What some people may try once
23 Be of benefit
26 Extra periods in NHL games
27 Lake in four states and Canada
28 Nebraska's capital
30 Play to the crowd
32 Autograph hound's necessity
33 "Rank" novice
36 Certain seafood
41 Birds in the finch family
42 Lie out in the sun
44 Heathens
47 Use an easy chair
50 Islamic holy man
51 A sheep remark
53 Bogart classic "Key ___"
54 Painter's problem
57 Word with "generation"
58 ___ Aviv
59 Type with two fingers, perhaps
64 A miner matter?
65 Big name in flatware
66 Case for pins and needles
67 "Deliverance" actor Beatty
68 Find a new table for
69 Acerb

DOWN

1 Beer bust delivery
2 "If ___ say so myself"
3 Ad-libber's asset
4 Biased type?
5 Animal fat
6 Accountant, briefly
7 Buddhist in Nirvana
8 Filet mignon sources
9 Slow as molasses
10 "Do not change," to an editor
11 Surround
12 Any of the kids in a 1985 comedy-adventure
13 Jackass' Asian relative
18 1,000 grams
22 French painter Matisse
23 Austrian peak
24 Competes
25 "___ and the King of Siam"
26 Pope's "An Essay ___"
29 Grassy grounds
30 By its very nature
31 "___ Wiedersehen"
34 Scarfed down
35 Aquarium inhabitant
37 Alpaca's cousin
38 "Cat on a Hot ___ Roof"
39 "Joy of Cooking" instruction
40 Suspend, as curtains
43 "The one" played by Keanu
44 Detroit hoopster
45 Current measurement
46 Annoyed
48 Dressed (in)
49 Decorative fold on a garment
51 "Seinfeld" character Elaine
52 Big Band musician Shaw
55 "Kon-Tiki" author Heyerdahl
56 Adjust plugs and points
57 Pest you might slap
60 Toothpaste-approving org.
61 Abbr. at Kennedy
62 Hardly a show dog
63 Baby fox

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1818 Congress decides the U.S. flag would consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the Union.

1887 Argonia, Kan., becomes the first U.S. community to elect a female mayor, Susanna Madora Salter.

1912 China proclaims a republic in Tibet, a move that is fiercely opposed by Tibetans.

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FOR SHAME!

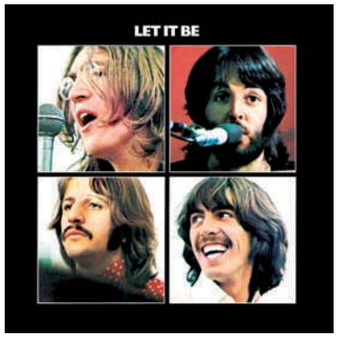
'Next Time, Use a Huge Telephoto Lens Like a Respectable Person!'

Alec Baldwin used Twitter to blast a New York City newspaper for attending a yoga class taught by his fiance, Hilaria Thomas: "Shame on the no-talent trash from the Daily News for invading the privacy of 75 people in a yoga class to take a picture of someone." Baldwin also posted the names of reporters at the class. (AP)

HOBBIES

Subtitled 'And You Might See Mariah and the Twins!'

Nick Cannon launched a weekly Web series, "N'Credible Health Hustle," on Nickcannon.com to chronicle his health ups and downs. "Words can't express how grateful and humbled I was by the outpouring of support when I fell ill a few months ago," he said in a statement. "I'm hoping this series serves as inspiration" for those dealing with illness. (EXPRESS)



The Beatles' "Let It Be" cover, clockwise from left: John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr

The Beatles' sons, clockwise from left: Sean Lennon, James McCartney, Dhani Harrison and Zak Starkey (son of Ringo Starr)

GETTY IMAGES

GENESIS

A Novelty Act Is Born

James McCartney, son of Paul McCartney, told the BBC he would not object to forming a second-generation Beatles band with Sean Lennon, Dhani Harrison and Zak Starkey (son of Ringo Starr). After a torrent of media attention, McCartney clarified his stance on Facebook: "I was just thinking out loud about playing with Beatles family friends, nothing more." (EXPRESS)

Babies

TMZ, Reporting Live From Random Woman's Uterus

TMZ reports that Levi Johnston's girlfriend is with child. Sunny Oglesby, of Wasilla, Alaska, and Bristol Palin's ex have been dating for just over a year. She is less than three months along, TMZ said. (EXPRESS)

RUINED LIVES

'I Considered Having My Butt Amputated, I Was So Shamed'

Lauren Conrad tells Glamour magazine that she didn't wear a bathing suit for years because a paparazzo once "zoomed in on my cellulite and it was so mean. I took it really personally. I haven't worn a bathing suit in L.A. in years because of that." (EXPRESS)

"The fear that many might have is that Ashton was selected because he's 'hot' right now. But I feel that his selection was done in the most professional manner."

—**STEVE WOZNIAK** ENDORSES ASHTON KUTCHER PLAYING STEVE JOBS IN AN UPCOMING BIOPIC, HE TOLD TMZ.COM IN A STATEMENT

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